

the dictates of his conscience than Harry Hughes, the Democratic candidate for Congress here on our Eastern Shore. Harry Hughes is unique and refreshing. Perhaps he can best be described as modest, yet his modesty is not shyness but more accurately reflects a quiet determination to do the job that he was elected to perform. As a former member of the House of Delegates and, currently as Senator from Caroline County, Harry Hughes secured the enactment of programs that not only benefited the people of Caroline and the Eastern Shore, but also the citizens of the entire State. More than any other individuals, he deserves the major credit for drafting the program that is revitalizing public education in Maryland and will assist your children and your children's children in receiving an education second to none in this nation.

It has come to my attention that the Republican opponent is now attempting to place the blame on Senator Hughes for the enactment of legislation increasing the income tax rate in Maryland, effective next January, to finance the cost of the education program. Now, of course, Congressman Morton knows that this charge is not true. But, if he is going to blame Senator Hughes for securing enactment of this legislation, then I submit that it is only fair that he give Harry Hughes some of the credit for assisting in securing its anticipated repeal this month.

For today, I met with Senator Hughes and the leaders of the Maryland General Assembly to discuss the healthy effect that a tremendous upward surge in Maryland's economy is having on State revenues and, as a result of this meeting, the General Assembly will be summoned into special session in less than two weeks to prevent the tax increase from going into effect.

In a very true sense, Harry Hughes is a senator's senator. During the legislative session, the light in Senator Hughes' office burns far into the night as he pores over the details of every piece of legislation. It requires exceptional ability to serve as Chairman of the highly important Special Legislative Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Affairs and it also requires exceptional ability to find solutions to the complex and intricate fiscal problems that face our State today. Yet, Senator Hughes not only has performed admirably as Chairman of this Committee, he has also served with distinction as Chairman of the Executive Nominations Committee in the Senate, as a member of the Governor's Commission on City-Council Fiscal Relationships and as a member of the highly important Legislative Council.

His actions and his achievements stand in sharp contrast to the